

# ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

## *Combined Federal Effort Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report*

Since 1955, the Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) have been working together to ensure the safe maintenance and operation of Folsom Dam. This collaboration has provided 50 years of protection for people and businesses downstream, in addition to providing power and a reliable water supply.

Both agencies are also continuously seeking to improve the structural integrity of the facility, and operate the dam more efficiently to accomplish the missions of both Reclamation and the Corps.



### PROJECTS AT FOLSOM DAM AND DOWNSTREAM

Reclamation and the Corps, other agencies and regional stakeholders, are also working together to insure consideration of other projects in the vicinity of Folsom Dam. Current projects include:

- Folsom Bridge Project
- Levee Improvements on the American River downstream of Folsom Dam
- Forecast Based Operations Feasibility Study—to release water earlier, in advance of incoming storms

### PROTECTING THE REGION FROM FLOODS

The Corps, partnering with the State Reclamation Board and the Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency (SAFCA), has a mission to increase flood protection to the Sacramento region. The Corps coordinates flood storage at Folsom Dam in combination with levees along the American River, as well as flood management on the Sacramento River system to reduce the risk of flooding.

### IMPROVING THE STRUCTURAL INTEGRITY OF FOLSOM DAM

Reclamation is responsible for the safety and structural integrity of Folsom Dam. Reclamation knows the potential structural hazards that can impact a large concrete dam in a seismically active region of California. Reclamation is actively assessing structural improvements for the three safety issues in its Corrective Action Study (CAS): hydrologic, static, and seismic issues present challenges for Folsom Dam and its associated facilities.

Both Reclamation and the Corps are now pooling their resources to make the Corrective Action Study a reality. They will be working closely with other regional stakeholders and the public to identify the best remedy for each of the three safety issues in the CAS.